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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Gene Keady.

Whereas, Former Purdue basketball head coach Gene Keady will be inducted into the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame;

Whereas, With 512 victories in 25 seasons, Gene Keady holds the record for the most wins in Purdue history;

Whereas, Gene Keady led the Boilermakers to six Big Ten Conference championships (1984, 1987, 1988, 1994, 1995, and 1996), including three straight titles from 1994-1996, and advanced to postseason play 22 times in his 25 seasons at

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Purdue;

Whereas, Perhaps what is best remembered by citizens of Indiana is the rivalry that existed between Indiana University head coach Bob Knight and Gene Keady;

Whereas, Gene Keady was a winner there also, defeating Knight and his Hoosiers 20 - 19 overall;

Whereas, Interested in academics as well as athletics, Gene Keady graduated almost 90% of his players, 41 of whom were Academic All-Big Ten and seven were Academic All-Americans;

Whereas, Gene Keady was named Big Ten Coach of the Year a league-record seven times and National Coach of the Year six times;

Whereas, In honor of his many accomplishments, the Mackey Arena playing floor was renamed Keady Court on December 12, 1997;

Whereas, Gene Keady retired as the Boilermakers' head coach after the 2004-2005 season; he currently lives in New York and is a special assistant at St. John's to former Purdue assistant coach Steve Lavin; and

Whereas, Gene Keady is a Big Ten legend who deserves the honor of being inducted into the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
2 congratulates Gene Keady on his induction into the National Collegiate
3 Basketball Hall of Fame and thanks him for all the exciting times he
4 gave us throughout the years.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Gene Keady.

